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## Annex Alvarado By 30 to 1 Vote

The annexation election last Saturday resulted in practically a unanimous vote. Alvarado was surely warmly welcomed into the union of the other towns and Alvarado returned the compliment by showing her willingness most heartily. The vote is very gratifying. It sets at rest any fears that the enemies of this district may succeed in causing dissension. More than that the practical unanimity of the vote has made the favorable impression that we believed it would in the cities of the county. If the people had been more fully aroused to the need of voting the lesson would have been much more impressive. As it is it gives notice that the people in the Alameda County Water District are a unit in defense of their rights.

Further than that it strengthens the hands of those who have tried hard to direct the district's policy for the benefit of all the people of the district.

From now on the scene of battle shifts to the court in Oakland. It is a fight against heavy odds but with a united people behind them those who are making the fight feel encouraged to do the very best they can with the means at their disposal.

The vote last Saturday was as follows:

	Yes	No
Alvarado	68	5
Centerville	142	1
Decoto	101	5
Irvington	73	1
Newark	53	1
Niles	85	7
Total in District	459	15

Of the fifteen votes against the district it is known that at least five of them were cast by mistake.

S. F.—Jitneys take \$2,000 daily from the United Railroads.

## Local Grocer in Automobile Smash

A fatal accident was narrowly averted last Sunday night when an automobile from San Jose drove head on into the car driven by Mr. Trimmingham, the well known local grocer.

The driver of the Garden City machine swerved sharply around an obstruction in the street, swung across the street and directly into the car driven by Mr. Trimmingham.

Both machines were badly damaged but fortunately no one was injured.

San Antonio is spending \$45,000 for paving in two more busy city streets.

## Confesses to Robbery of Centerville Store

Joe Soito, Constable at Centerville, arrested a man Wednesday who it is alleged is responsible for the Francis robbery at that town a few weeks ago.

Several of the stolen articles were found in his room and the officers say that he has made a complete confession of the crime.

The preliminary examination will be held early next week before Judge McIntosh at Centerville.

San Antonio—\$100,000 paving job, Ocean Ave. to Canyon, ordered by council.

## Frank T. Hawes Appointed Centerville Postmaster

The news of the appointment by President Wilson of Frank Hawes, as postmaster at Centerville was received with satisfaction by the many friends of the appointee.

Mr. Hawes has held the Centerville office for the past thirteen years and the fact that he had no opposition proves that his work in this capacity has been up to the mark in every respect.

Mr. Hawes previously held the office under Civil Service but when Centerville became a third class office last July the position then became an appointive one and after an investigation the postal authorities came to the conclusion that Mr. Hawes was better fitted to succeed himself than anyone else in the community; therefore the appointment.

In a third-class office, the position as postmaster is worth \$1000 per year with an additional allowance for clerk hire, rent, and other incidental expenses. The Centerville office has also been designated as an international money order office.

## FARM BUREAU NOTES

Farm Bureau meetings will be held in this township next week, at Newark on Monday evening, the 27th, and at Niles on Wednesday evening the 29th. At these meetings a general council of milk producers will be held, and the farm adviser will discuss "Sanitary Milk Production," using lantern slides as illustrations, and discuss dairy conditions in this county. It is up to Alameda County to look to her laurels in milk production. Various methods of increasing profits from the dairy will be considered. The consumer's point of view will be considered as well, and the meeting will interest consumers as well as producers.

## M. S. GARCIA PASSES AWAY

Washington Township lost another old resident last Saturday evening when M. S. Garcia was called to the Great Beyond.

Mr. Garcia had been a resident of this locality for more than half a century and had a host of friends and acquaintances in this part of the county.

The deceased was 68 years of age and was a native of Portugal. He is survived by a brother, Tom Garcia of San Leandro; by a sister, Mrs. Louise Jensen of San Leandro and by three daughters: Mrs. J. E. Rogers of Mission San Jose, Mrs. M. B. Santos of Pleasanton and Miss Minnie Garcia of Oakland.

The funeral was held from the Catholic church at the Mission Tuesday. Interment was made in St. Joseph's cemetery.

## CARD OF THANKS

The relatives of the late M. S. Garcia wish to extend their thanks to the many friends and acquaintances who so freely gave their comfort, aid, and sympathy to the bereaved family in their hour of sorrow.

Mrs. J. E. Rogers,  
Mrs. M. B. Santos,  
Minnie Garcia,  
Thos. Garcia,  
Mrs. Louis Jensen.

Antioch—Another fine building added to paper mill, capacity 4000 tons. S. F.—Rolf gives contract for two steamers to cost \$1,000,000 each.

## Fire Destroys Alvarado Home

Fire originating from an overturned lamp completely gutted the Henderson house at Alvarado, which was occupied by the Kieholtz family.

All of the furniture was destroyed and the total damage amounted to several hundred dollars.

Mr. Kieholtz intended to move to move to Newark this coming week.

## Chamber of Com. Holds Meeting

The same old crowd of regulars were present at the Chamber of Commerce meeting last Tuesday night and listened to the reports of the various committees and also to several interesting talks by visitors and members.

Mrs. F. V. Jones spoke of the lack of interest taken in the Associated Chamber of Commerce and asked for suggestions as to how enthusiasm might be aroused in this all-important body.

Mr. Craft told of several methods that had been employed in other places, but none of them seemed to fit this particular case.

Mr. Harvey, who is engaged in preparing a special edition for The Press, that will boost Washington Township, was introduced and told of the benefits that the township will derive from this edition and offered to try to instill into the minds of the merchants of the township the knowledge that an organization such as the Associated Chamber was a necessity in this community.

President Sneden appointed a committee to cooperate with Mr. Harvey in preparing matter to be published in the special edition.

Mr. Bernard stated that the Kell estate intended to discontinue running a bus between Niles and the High School at Centerville and made a motion which was carried that the secretary of the Chamber communicate with the County Superintendent of Schools and ascertain what provision could be made for transporting pupils to and from the High School.

Redding—City trustees decide to build municipal sewage system.

## ENTERTAINMENT

The next entertainment in the course of three which are being given under the auspices of the Congregational Church of Niles will be given Jan. 13, by Carey W. Hartman who has the reputation of appearing more times in the large eastern cities than any other lecturer. His subject will be "Hiawatha" and he tells his stories from the legends of the Ojibway and other Indian tribes.

It is suggested that ticket holders read the poem "Hiawatha" by Henry W. Longfellow and any other Indian books found in the Public Library so as to get the best out of the second entertainment in the course. As the entertainment will appeal strongly to school children they are urged to review the story also.

Remember the date, Thursday, Jan. 13th: 3 p. m. children only, 15 cents; 8 p. m. for everybody, 50 cents.

Inglewood—Paved highway assured from here to Venice.

Sacramento—Layouts for new state highways as follows: Placer Co., Roseville to Penryn, 7½ mile; Tehama Co., Corning to Proberta, 10.2 miles; San Diego Co., El Cajon to Flinn Springs, 7.2 miles.

## Truabcco Denies Directors Plea

Judge Trabucco of Mariposa County, sitting as an extra sessions judge in the Superior Court at Oakland late last Friday afternoon denied the application of the Alameda County Water District for a temporary injunction, pending the trial of the case. Judge Trabucco rendered no opinion whatever, in denying the temporary injunction. It is therefore impossible to give his reasons for doing so. It is supposed that two factors influenced the judge in his decision. The most important one was that the case was set for trial on January 17, and that therefore the time was too short to warrant such a drastic course. The second was the intervention of the city administration of San Francisco in the case, and the plea presented by it that the storage of the flood waters was necessary to meet San Francisco's needs for more water.

At any rate it is believed that the temporary injunction will not in any way effect the merits of the suit when it goes to trial.

Judge Trabucco will not try the suit itself. Governor Johnson will be asked to name the judge to try the case. The date of the trial will depend upon the judge selected, as the condition of his calendar will have much to do with determining the date of trial. The case is looked upon as one of the most important that has arisen in the State for years, and it is expected that if the selection of a judge is up to the Governor, that he will select a judge who will be satisfactory to both sides of the suit.

The intervention of the San Francisco city administration in the suit, on the side of the Spring Valley Water Company, has confirmed absolutely the belief we have all along held, that so far as the present city administration is concerned, it is absolutely a Spring Valley ally. Now that it has come out into the open, it has suddenly opened a new phase of the case. If the city of San Francisco has a right to enter the case in order to deprive Alameda County citizens of millions of dollars worth of property rights, then, surely, the Alameda County administration has a right to intervene on the side of its own citizens in defense of those rights.

The friends of the district do not believe that the denial of the temporary injunction will injure their cause. It was primarily brought to hasten the trial of the case and it is believed it will have that effect although the Spring Valley Water Company insists on delaying the case by every pretext.

Under the Smith-Lever Act of Congress, \$400,000 was appropriated and 1100 "Agricultural Agents" are going through the rural districts teaching farming.

Upland—California Fruit Products Co. erecting \$100,000 by-products plant.

## The Press' Special Edition Makes Headway

There is every indication that the big booster edition of the Press to be issued next month will be by far the greatest thing of the kind ever attempted here. The Mission Restoration Committee has arranged for special articles by several well known writers who are particularly well posted upon the history of this as well as other California missions, and the pages devoted to that enterprise will be among its most interesting. They will be particularly valuable from a historical standpoint as well as containing much of interest regarding present conditions and the progress made in the restoration work.

The Niles Chamber of Commerce has given the project its enthusiastic support, and a committee of that body has been appointed to cooperate with Mr. Harvey in the preparation of the general matter description of the county and city. This committee will go over all general copy prepared for the edition, thus assuring its accuracy and that it will be the class of matter which the community desires to give to the world as setting forth conditions and advantages of the country.

There can be no doubt that the coming year will see thousands of people from all sections of the country visiting California who will come with purpose of investing or settling in the State, and if Washington Township will get before those visitors a comprehensive idea of its opportunities in a business way and desirability as a home-making section, as the Press special will give, a very large proportion of them will be attracted here, with always the possibility of their becoming permanent residents. With the end of giving this special edition the largest possible circulation every family in the township should begin at once the preparation of its list of persons to whom it will send copies, that none may be overlooked, and that the paper may reach people in every part of the United States.

## SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT AT WARM SPRINGS GREAT SUCCESS

The Christmas entertainment given at the Warm Springs Grammar School last Friday evening was a success from every standpoint.

"A Christmas Carol," a three-scene Christmas play by Dickens, was well played by the intermediate and upper classes.

"No Girls Admitted," a snappy three-scene high school comedy, was presented by the seventh and eighth grades. Throughout the entire play the actors either had the audience guessing or laughing.

The drills and folk dances by the lower grades were very good. The vocal and piano solos showed that the school possesses talent along both lines.

The success of the evening was due to the untiring efforts of the teachers; Mr. Lazarus, Miss Driscoll, and Miss Davis.

Sacramento—Paving of Yolo causeway and construction of bridge started.

Avalon—Building commenced on old sites. "To rise bigger and better".

## To Build Tunnel Under S. P. Tracks

After a delay of several months, the matter of building a tunnel under the S. P. tracks where the state highway enters Niles on the west, has finally been brought to a head, and the viewers have decided the amount of damages that will be awarded, so that just as soon as the legal formalities have been taken care of, actual work will begin.

Early last June, a petition signed by a large number of Niles citizens was presented to the Board of Supervisors, asking that a tunnel be built under the S. P. right of way, and so do away with the dangerous grade crossing.

The Board granted the request and appointed Messrs. Haviland, Brown and Ellis as viewers to decide on the most suitable point for a crossing and to fix the amount of damages.

A point opposite Tom Sullivan's house was selected as the most feasible, and as this point was acceptable to the Highway Commission, the Railway Commission and to the county, it is here that the tunnel will be built.

The expense will be shared by the county and the Southern Pacific company.

Los Angeles — Cost per pupil in grades for year is \$67.23, high school \$137.95.

## TO CELEBRATE NEW YEAR, EVE

A pleasant evening is anticipated by those who plan to attend the New Year services at the local Catholic church.

Christmas Carols will be sung by the choir, assisted by the orchestra. The beautiful solo, "Silent Night," will be rendered by Mr. Victor LaGrave, and Adam Noel's "Holy Night," by Mrs. Geo. L. Donovan. Cellist, Mr. Ashley Tyson, Organist, Geo. L. Donovan, Niles Orchestra.

Santa Barbara—Contract awarded for completion of Castroville-Monterey road.

## Congregational Church Holds Christmas Party

The Congregational Sunday School had its Christmas party Thursday afternoon.

The festivities were introduced by a short program, as follows:

Dialogue: "For Christmas Sake." Carol Trimmingham and Irene McClelland.

Recitation: "Secrets," Harry Craft. Recitation: "A Riddle," Addison Richmond.

Then a little play, as arranged by Mrs. Shinn, introduced a girl whose father was sick, and whose mother put the child to bed to dream of Christmas joys. Etta McClelland was the mother and Mabel Hale, the daughter.

A Christmas Fairy was impersonated by Isabel Lans. Lorene Phillips was the "Christmas Spirit." Others followed: "Christmas Card," Harry Craft; "Christmas Candy," Junior Green; "Christmas Candle," Aubrey Laws; "Christmas Music," Joseph Shinn; "Christmas Pop-Corn," Henry Behrens; "Christmas Bell," Muriel Voorheis; "Christmas Cornucopia," Allen Shinn; "Christmas Stocking," Clement Linbergh; "Christmas Dolls," May Walpert, Pauline Harvey, Ruth Laws; "Christmas Pudding," Carol Overacker; and a lot of little Christmas Darlings, to whom Santa Claus (Frank Hill) brought a Christmas welcome.

Then followed games and refreshments (ice cream and cake) and the distribution of presents by Santa Claus, who had a bag of candy and a present for each child.

It was very evident that they had a good time.

Los Angeles Tribune advocates municipal gift links.

Brookdale municipal plant taken over by Mountain Light & Water Co.

## HOLD POWWOW JUST LIKE REAL INDIANS.



Photo by American Press Association.

Miss Anne Morgan (seated on the left), daughter of the late J. Pierpont Morgan, opened the first council of the Inkawa club in New York, of which she is president. The object of the club is to furnish an opportunity for wholesome comradeship of young men and young women and to encourage out of door activities. All meetings will be held in the open and around a campfire.



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When Will Jeffris thought that Mr. Thompson was "off the map," figuratively speaking, he was perfectly willing to print all manner of things about the former manager of The Register; but when he finds that Mr. Thompson is only a few miles away and is willing to go to the bat to prove that Jeffris' statements are falsehoods—way then little Willie shuts up like a clam. Everyone noticed, of course, that Jeffris bullied Mrs. Thompson into signing a statement apparently refuting her letter published in The Press, but he makes no reply to the letter written by Mr. Thompson.

Verily, Willie is a brave boy.

C. R. Evans.

## JESSE STEINHART

The advent of Jesse Steinhart of City Attorney Long's office on the side of the Spring Valley Water Co. affords an illustration of how some public servants serve private interests at public expense. Not many months ago Steinhart appeared as the representative of certain private interests in the Peoples Water Co. reorganization fight. Former Chief Justice Matt Sullivan of Mayor Rolph's Advisory Water Committee did the same thing.

Mr. Steinhart's arguments in our temporary injunction suit were all Spring Valley arguments but they were presented as coming from a representative of San Francisco and to those who do not know how closely the present city administration is identified with Spring Valley interests his arguments carry especial weight. The one consoling feature of the situation is that Mayor Rolph and City Attorney Long are in a minority when it comes to the sale of Spring Valley to the people of San Francisco. The duplicity of Rolph and Long in their dealings with our local water supply situation is on a par with the way they have knifed the Hetch Hetchy project in the past year. But their duplicity is becoming more generally understood and the next attempt on their part to pull Spring Valley chestnuts out of the fire in San Francisco election will be more strongly rebuked than ever.

Jesse Steinhart has graduated into the class of attorneys whose serviceability in promoting corporation interests under the guise of public service makes them at once valuable to the subtle corporation schemes and dangerous to the public welfare. In the end they overreach themselves.

FOREST SUPERVISOR'S REPORT  
PROGRESS ON JOHN MUIR TRAIL

Work on the John Muir trail, in the High Sierras, which is being built by cooperation between the State and the Forest Service, has suspended for the season and reports as to the results accomplished have been received from the Forest Supervisors who had charge of the work on the Sierra and the Sequoia National Forests.

Twenty-one miles of new trail were constructed, two and one-half miles of old trail were repaired, and one bridge built.

The trail has a minimum tread of thirty inches, with plenty of turnouts in dangerous places, and the grade except in a few stretches was kept below fifteen percent. Where grading work was done, ample clearance was made for packs, and in timber country six feet clearance along the trail were blazed with the Forest Service blaze, and above the timber-line monuments of large size were placed at frequent intervals.

The total cost of the work done last summer was \$4,733.49—or about \$200 per mile. Portions of the trail were hewn through solid granite, and at the rate of \$2300 per mile. The work was done by the Forest Service under the direction of the State Engineer.

When completed the trail will furnish a practicable saddle route from the Yosemite to Mount Whitney thru the high Sierras.

## Kingsburg's Efforts

## Meet with Success

Sacramento, December 23rd, 1915—That Surveyor General W. S. Kingsbury is meeting with success in Washington, D. C., is the keynote of a letter received by his office in Sacramento in which he states that the bill designed to clear the title to some 320,000 acres of State Lieu School Lands is now ready to go to the chairmen of the Public Lands Committee of the House and Senate who will handle it upon the floors of Congress. The fight that Kingsbury is making is in the interest of some 2100 State applicants who purchased the land in good faith, subject to the approval of the Department of the Interior.

## THE PEOPLES FARM BUREAU

## CHRISTMAS

REV. C. L. HYDE

Occasionally one meets the Christmas hater. He frowns upon the crowds that throng the stores. He sneers at the ranks of buyers in the streets. He scoffs at the festive decorations that have transformed street and market and school and church and home. He points out the slaughter of trees, that are being distributed by train and truck and manly shoulder to the thousands of happy homes. He growls at his wife's appeal for funds to buy presents for the children. He reluctantly doles out dimes to the children for their secret purchases. He chats with his friend on the street car about his Christmas business being overdone, how it wears out the lives of so many tired clerks, who wait upon crazy people who buy so many ten-cent articles for the Sunday school class, five twobit items for members of the family. One two-dollar article for Mrs. Brown who always gives expensive presents, and so on down the list, till clerks and customers both drop with weariness, and all for a fad. The real trouble is, confides Mr. Knocker, Christmas is commercialized. It has become the clearing house for old stocks, the harvest time for makers of cheap trash, the annual money-grabbing time of the year. If a merchant makes a good killing at Christmas time, he is expected to remember his clerks, and there goes much of his extra profit.

Our Christmas hater scolds and frowns and growls for a week—till Christmas eve—then he cannot seem to get a sufficient excuse for staying away from home, and so he finds himself in the midst of a whirlwind of eager anticipation; intense mystery, joyous exhilaration. His frowns and protests are useless. The children climb all over him. Great secrets are poured into his ears. Cautious hints are dropped of things they cannot tell him yet. The tree is shut off in the parlor, and only mother is allowed in that room. Stockings are hung from the mantel, and finally the children are all in bed. Then mother gets father to help furnish the higher parts of the tree. He drapes tinsel, hangs toys, pop-corn and strings of cranberry. And all at once he discovers his own stockings hanging there—empty? Hardly. Filled to its utmost capacity,—and piled on a chair underneath the overflow is still greater than the stocking. All at once the flood of the loving giving spirit of Christmas overwhelms him.

"Mother," he says. "It isn't late yet, I forgot something I meant to do today. I'll have to go at once for a little while." And off he goes. Straight to the shopping center he goes. The stores are all open, but most of the buyers have gone home. "What have you for a Christmas present for a lady?" "What for a ten-year old boy?" And so on down the list. "Have them sent, sir?" "No, I'll take them." Loaded till his arms are full, he meets his street car friend of that morning. That friend too is loaded. They exchange glances of mutual understanding, and burst into laughter. "Had to come to it, I see." "Yes, and I haven't had so much joy in a year as I have had this past hour buying all these things."

So they succumb to the greatest of joys, the joy of giving. A joy so great that it thrilled the universe when One who could, gave His best to earth and began the ever-increasing joy of expressed love.

## SUNDAY SERVICES

## CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday, December 19, 1915.

10 A. M. Sunday School.  
11 a. m. Special Christmas service by Sunday School and Church. About twelve musical numbers will be given, some by the choir, some by the choir and school. Other exercises by the children. Address by Mr. Hyde on "The Joy of the New."  
7:00 p. m. Intermediate Christian Endeavor, Miss Isabel Laws, Leader.  
7:45 p. m. "The Story of Cain and Abel."

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Mass at 9:30 a. m. each Sunday.

Decoto.

Mass at 11:00 a. m.

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Centerville.

Father A. M. Souza, pastor.  
Father S. F. Baron, asst. pastor.  
Mass daily at 7:00 and 7:30 a. m.  
Sunday—Mass at 8 a. m. and 10:50 a. m. Benediction and sermon at 7:30

Newark Presbyterian Church  
James Curry, D.D., Pastor.  
Preaching services at 11 and 7:45 o'clock Christian Endeavor meeting 7 P. M. Sabbath School 9:45 A. M. Prayer meeting, Wednesday 7:30 P. M. Ladies Aid first and third Wednesday afternoon each month, Missionary Society last Fridays at 2:30 P. M.

## Prevention of Smut in Grain.

It has been estimated that the grain smut in California caused an annual loss to the State exceeding \$1,000,000. In addition to this annual loss there is especially true of wheat, where the smut spores may remain entirely enclosed in the grain and damages the flour by imparting a very disagreeable odor.

The smuts of grain are caused by the growth of small parasitic plants that live within the tissues of the grain plants and are nourished by their juices. There are two classes of these smuts. One known as loose or black smut and the other known as stinking smut or bunt of wheat. This latter is the cause of the greatest loss in wheat.

There are several ways in which this disease gets into a field. But by far the most important way is through the seed. In fact if we can sow seed that is free from infection we can practically control the disease. Of course climatic conditions influence to a great extent the development of smut. One year there is comparatively little of it, and in other years the amount of grain destroyed is large. Farmers have often lost faith in methods of treatment for smut, because at some time they may have planted untreated seed and had less smut in their fields than when they had treated the seed.

## Methods of Treatment.

There are two methods that can be recommended for treating grain, that will cause no injury and if properly followed will destroy all smut spores. The first of these is the Formaldehyde treatment. This consists in treating the grain with a solution of one pound of Formalin "a 40 per cent solution of formaldehyde" to fifty gallons of water. The grain may be dipped in this in loosely woven bags or wire baskets, allowed to remain ten minutes, then drained to save all the liquid possible and dried when it is ready to sow. Some prefer to spread the grain on a clean canvas or board floor and sprinkle the solution over it. In doing this it must be carefully mixed to get the liquid in contact with every grain.

In using this method care must be taken to get a full 40 per cent formalin and to use a full pound to fifty gallons of water. There are formalins on the market that contain comparatively less than 40 per cent of formaldehyde and they are also put up in packages of less than one pound.

This method has some advantages, in that the solution is not injurious to vessels of any kind, although it may be disagreeable to the person working with it.

There has been a machine built to use with this method, consisting of a hopper and a tank for the solution, through which runs an endless carrier. The grain is fed into the hopper and then carried through the solution and elevated to a fresh sack or box. One advantage of this machine is, that unbroken smut balls and other light materials rises to the top of the tank and may be skimmed off. Of course it is difficult to use the machine with oats.

The second method recommended and the one used almost exclusively in California is the Blue stone or Copper sulfate method. This is very effective and any failures in its use can generally be traced to lack of thoroughness in the application or to re-inoculation of the seed in some manner after treatment.

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LIOLA V. STEVENSON  
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NOTICE TO NON-CONSENTING  
LAND OWNERS

Proposed Alterations of the Hayward Niles Road, Washington Township, Alameda County, California.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Monday, the 10th day of January, A. D. 1916, at the hour of ten o'clock, A. M., of said day, at the rooms of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda, in the Annex of the Hall of Records in the City of Oakland, County of Alameda, State of California, have been fixed as the time and place for hearing the report of the viewers, presented and filed this day, in the matter of the proposed acceptance of alterations of the Hayward Niles Road, in Washington Township. The description of the proposed road is as follows:

Beginning at the most Southerly corner of Lot No. 16 of Block "E", Mary E. Mortimer Addition to Niles, as said lot and block are delineated and so designated on that certain map entitled "Map of Subdivision of Blocks E F and G Mary E. Mortimer Addition to Niles", etc., filed in the office of the Recorder of Alameda County, California, March 15, 1909; and running thence along the Southeastly line of said Lot No. 16, North 15 degrees 54 minutes East 10.00 feet; thence leaving said lot line and along a line drawn parallel to and distant 10.00 feet Northerly (measured at right angles), from the Northerly line of First Street, as said First Street is delineated and so designated on the said map, North 74 degrees 06 minutes West 205.67 feet; thence on the arc of a curve to the right, tangent to last course, the radius of which curve is 270.00 feet, a distance of 196.50 feet; thence tangent to said curve, North 32 degrees 24 minutes West 230.29 feet; thence on the arc of a curve to the left, tangent to last course, the radius of which curve is 266.34 feet, a distance of 86.62 feet to a point on the Southerly line of the main county road between Hayward and Niles; thence along said Southerly line, North 87 degrees 46 minutes 45 seconds West 159.28 feet; thence Southeastly, leaving said road line, on the arc of a curve to the right, the chord of which bears South 60 degrees 05 minutes 25 seconds East and the radius of which curve is 197.14 feet, a distance of 190.56 feet; thence tangent to said curve, South 32 degrees 24 minutes East 284.87 feet to a point on the Westerly line of the hereinbefore mentioned map; thence South 15 degrees 54 minutes West 56.18 feet to a point on the Southerly line of said First Street; thence along said Southerly line First Street, South 74 degrees 06 minutes East 329.70 feet to the Westerly line of G Street, as said G Street is delineated and so designated on the hereinbefore mentioned map; thence North 15 degrees 54 minutes East 50.00 feet to a point on the Northerly line of said First Street; thence along the Northerly line of said First Street, South 74 degrees 06 minutes East 89.7 feet to the point of beginning.

That the amount of land to be taken for said proposed altered road, and the names of the owners of the land over which the same passes, are as follows:

Bird E. Mortimer ....0.264 acres  
Central Pacific Railway  
Co., .....0.369 acres  
Thomas J. Sullivan ...0.230 acres

That the estimated damages to the said Bird E. Mortimer is the sum of \$1000.00;

That the estimated damages to Thomas J. Sullivan is the sum of \$2377.50;

That the said Central Pacific Railway Co., is a non-consenting land owner, and that the said Central Pacific Railway Co., is not damaged by the proposed alterations of said road.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, at said time and place, the Board of Supervisors will hear the evidence of, against proposed alterations of said road, and will ascertain and, by order, declare the amount of damages awarded to any non-consenting land owner affected by said alterations of said County road, and declare the report of the viewers to be approved or rejected, in whole, or in part.

Dated December 20, 1915.

GEO. E. GROSS,  
County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda, State of California.

Oxnard to have \$30,000 bean straw fibre factory.

Los Angeles Tribune advocates municipal gift links.

Brookdale municipal plant taken over by Mountain Light & Water Co.

Antioch—Another fine building added to paper mill, capacity 4000 tons.

S. F.—Rolf gives contract for two cameras to cost \$1,000,000 each.

## Notice to Creditors

ESTATE OF MARY MURPHY, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned administrator of the estate of Mary Murphy deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against said decedent to file them with the necessary vouchers in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda (the same being the office of the clerk of the court from which Letters of Administration in the above entitled estate were issued) within four months after the first publication of this notice, or to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice to said administrator at the office of McDonald & Kennedy, Room 608 Oakland Bank of Savings Building, Oakland, Alameda County, California, which said office, the undersigned selects as his place of business in all matters connected with said estate of Mary Murphy deceased.

Dated, December 22nd, 1915.

J. L. MURPHY,  
Administrator of the estate of Mary Murphy, deceased.

McDonald & Kennedy,  
Room 608 Oakland Bank of Savings Building,  
Oakland, Alameda County,  
California,  
Attorneys for Administrator.  
Date of first publication, Friday, December 24, 1915.

## STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Niles State Bank of Niles, California, will be held on Saturday Jan. 8, 1916, at 2 o'clock P. M. at the office of the corporation, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

CHARLES EVANS,  
18-24-31-7 Secretary.

## STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Alameda County of Alvarado and Irvington, California, will be held on Saturday, Jan. 8, 1916, at 2 o'clock P. M. at the office of the Corporation, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

24-31-7 J. R. BLACOW, Cashier

## STATE NEWS

Payrolls and industries in all sections of the State. Improvements and Enterprises that employ labor. Investments and Development.

(Compiled by the Industrial News Bureau of Pacific Coast Manufacturer, 539 Holbrooke Building, San Francisco, Cal.)

Vallejo—Construction of Superdreadnaught at Mare Island Navy Yard will employ 4000 men for two years, wages \$4,000,000.

Marysville—Associated Oil Co. building tanks, warehouses and offices.

S. F.—Great Western Power Co. to spend \$4,000,000 to improve and extend system.

Galt—Has irrigation scheme to water 40,000 acres.

Monrovia—\$40,000 mausoleum being erected near Live Oak cemetery.

Long Beach—Gigantic developments on foot to improve Long Beach harbor.

Ferris—\$50,000 hotel to be erected Auburn—Pine Needle basket making here.

Palo Alto—Automatic Hammer plant moved from S. F. to this city.

Tulare to have handsome new store and office building.

Oroville—The old Bumble Bee mine will buzz again.

San Fernando has commenced work on \$50, 000 sanitarium on ten acres land.

Redwood City—President Spring Valley Water Co. has given \$20,759 contract to iron works of S. F. for structural work of his new home.

Poor marketing cost Peach growers \$25,000,000 this year.

Kingsburg has new \$5,000 brick building to be used for implement store.

S. F.—Finest automobile building in the world to be built here.

Marysville citizens dedicate new \$250,000 concrete bridge over Yuba river.

Palo Alto to protect power plant workmen thereby reducing accident insurance.

Redding—\$90,000 high school bonds brought premium of \$5,975.

Bakersfield Echo fights tax on gasoline as tax on poor.

Orland—Pacific Telephone Co. takes over Glenn County lines.

STATE TO EXAMINE FOR MANY  
POSITIONS

The California State Civil Service Commission has scheduled the following non-educational examinations for the month of January, 1916.

Jan. 8, 1916. Cook.—Applicants will be classified, according to their experience and fitness, as Chefs, First Cooks, Second Cooks, Third Cooks, or Fourth Cooks. Successful candidates will be eligible for employment in the various state institutions. Positions pay from \$30 to \$95 per month and board.

Jan. 8, 1916. Baker.—Applicants will be classified, according to their experience and fitness, as Head or Assistant Bakers. Positions pay from \$45 to \$75 per month and board.

Jan. 8, 1916. Butcher.—Applicants for this examination must have had at least three years' recent experience in general butchering and be capable of taking charge of the work for over a thousand people. Positions pay from \$50 to \$75 per month, with board and room in addition.

Jan. 15, 1916. Custodian, Union League Building.—The State rents offices in the Union League Building in Los Angeles, and this examination is being given to secure a Custodian for these offices. The position pays \$110 per month, and includes the supervision and cleaning of the offices and the care of the State's property contained therein.

Jan. 22, 1916. Dairyman and Milker.—Applicants will be classified, according to their experience and fitness, as Head or Assistant Dairyman and as Milkers. Positions pay from \$40 to \$100 per month.

Jan. 29, 1916. Attendant, Veterans' Home.—This examination is for men only. The positions call for the care of the veterans in the home, and pay from \$30 to \$35 per month with maintenance. Applicants must be between the ages of 21 and 50.

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR  
GRADUATE NURSES

The California State Civil Service Commission announces another examination for Graduate Nurse, to be held in Sacramento, San Francisco, and Los Angeles, February 8-9, 1916. The examination is to be held in conjunction with the State Board of Health and applicants who are successful in the test will be able to secure registration in the State of California as well as be eligible for appointment to positions in the State service. Entrance salaries range from \$50 to \$55 per month, with room, board and laundry in addition.

All registered nurses in the State of California, or candidates for the examination to be given by the State Board of Health, February 8-9, 1916, are eligible for this examination, provided they are 20 years of age or over on the date of the examination.

Further information and application blanks for any of the above examinations may be secured from the State Civil Service Commission, Forum Building, Sacramento. Applications must be filed with the Commission or before the dates announced for the respective examinations.

TYPHOID IN MILK CAUSES  
EPIDEMIC

The California State Board of Health has given a physician of Contra Costa County an opportunity to appear at the next meeting of the Board to show cause why he should not be prosecuted for failing to report a case of typhoid fever in a milkman employed in a dairy. Twelve customers of the dairy contracted typhoid fever. The outbreak was investigated by Dr. J. C. Geiger and Dr. F. L. Kelly of the Board's Bureau of Communicable Diseases, working in co-operation with Dr. Charles R. Blake, Health Commissioner of Richmond. Had there been supervision of this case at an early stage of the outbreak, many cases might have been prevented, and had milk supplied to Richmond customers been pasteurized, there would have been no epidemic. The greater part of the milk from this dairy was sent to Berkeley, where thousands of customers were supplied, and no case of typhoid fever developed there because the Berkeley supply was pasteurized.

At its last meeting, the California State Board of Health began the preparation of a scheme to be used for a working basis in connection with it duties in the enforcement of the act requiring the pasteurization of milk, which goes into effect in October, 1916. The State Dairy Bureau and the State Veterinarian also have duties to perform in connection with the enforcement of the act, and the State Board of Health will co-operate with these departments in outlining plans for carrying out its provisions.

The Board at its December meeting also decided to encourage the placing of water faucets at convenient places along polluted navigable rivers, in order that a supply of pure water for drinking purposes may be available for steamers, houseboats and campers.

Sacramento—Layouts for new state highways as follows: Placer Co., Roseville to Penryn, 7½ mile; Tehama Co., Corning to Proberta, 10.2 miles; San Diego Co., El Cajon to Flinn Springs, 7.2 miles.

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## LODGE MEETINGS

ALAMEDA LODGE, F. & A. M.  
Stated meetings at Masonic Temple, Centerville, for 1915: January 30, February 27, March 27, April 24, May 22, June 28, July 24, August 21, September 18, October 16, November 20, December 18.

E. M. GRIMMER, W. M.  
A. T. BIDDLE, Secretary.

NILES LODGE, NO. 382,  
I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday evening at Niles.  
BEN W. STONE, Noble Grand,  
W. O. FORD, Vice Grand.  
P. A. ELLIS, Secretary.

MAPLE CAMP NO. 146, W. O. W.—  
Meets every Second and Fourth Fridays of the Month in Stevenson's Hall, Centerville.

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Kennett—Bridge just completed at cost of \$17,726 accepted by Board.

Willows—Complete Valley Telephone merger consummated.

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# THE NEWS OF THE WEEK AS TOLD AROUND TOWN

Mr. Clarence F. Saly, Mr. Victor La-grave and Mr. Harry G. Stratton have received during the week indemnities for accidental injuries from the Travelers Insurance Co. through Agent C. E. Martenstein.

Frank Rose who has been quite ill for the past fortnight appeared on the street Monday to the delight of his friends.

The two children of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Moyer are confined to their home with whooping cough.

Miss Edna Sharpe entertained a crowd of Oakland friends at the Belvoir. Dancing was enjoyed until a late hour.

Mrs. Secada is spending the holidays in Fruitvale.

Milton Fournier returned from a visit to Sutter Creek, Tuesday.

Wm. L. Davis former editor of the Press was a Niles visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. B. W. Howell of Los Angeles was a guest of Mrs. C. R. Evans, Tuesday.

A special meeting of Old Mill Camp, W. O. W., was held Saturday night and three candidates introduced. A regular meeting of the camp will be held tonight.

Mrs. Emily Mayhew has returned from a visit with her sister at Bekersfield.

The Press has received two copies of "General Safety Orders" issued by the Industrial Accident Commission and anyone desiring to look over these laws may obtain same at this office.

Miss Milicent Shinn and Miss Martha Sanford who left for the eastern states November 24th, visited at many points on the way and are now arrived at their destination, Worcester, Mass., where they will spend Christmas with Prof. Sanford, of Clark University.

Mr. Harmon, employed by the S. P. Co., has taken rooms with his young bride at Mrs. Geo. Moore's.

Whooping cough and la-grippe are prevalent among the school children.

Mrs. Oakeshott and three boys have been confined to their home for some time by sickness.

Mrs. Neslor and little daughter are quarantined with scarlet fever.

The two children of Mr. Voorhies, principal of the grammar school, have the whooping cough.

Automobiles filled with people from the Bay cities, may be seen every day with their machines filled with red berries gathered in Niles Canyon.

Dr. Anderson was called to attend one of the McClellan girls on Wednesday.

Mrs. Mayhew returned Monday afternoon, after a month's visit in Bakersfield and Fresno.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tyson and Mr. Robert Tyson will spend Christmas day with the family of Harry Tyson in Alameda.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Bonner of San Francisco will join the family of Robert Bonner in Niles at Christmas dinner for the family reunion.

The families of H. E. Mosher, H. R. Hunt of Niles, and H. A. Mosher of Oakland, will gather for the Christmas tree on Friday evening and dinner on the day following at the home of Mr. Hunt.

Miss Winifred Hunt returned from school duties at Porterville on Monday afternoon for the two weeks' vacation, and to spend Christmas at home. Richard Hunt also came up from Fresno High School this week to join the family party.

Mrs. J. C. Shinn will have a Christmas tree for her children and a family dinner on Christmas day.

Mrs. John Tyson will entertain about thirty guests at Christmas dinner, including the Carper family from San Jose, and the Niles relatives.

Mrs. Clara Martenstein will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Martenstein and Mr. and Mrs. Fisher from Butler, Penn., at Christmas dinner.

Heavy fogs have prevailed during the past week.

The net proceeds of the bazaar held by the Congregational Guild ladies was about \$150.

Old papers and magazines are still requested at the side entrance to the Congregational church, before the half car-load can be sent to the paper mill.

Mrs. H. B. Ellsworth will spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Bert Oliver, in Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Jones are to take Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. Jones' brother in Hayward.

The members of the Fournier families will gather for Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fournier.

Ed Nichols is coming home from Salinas to spend the holiday with Mrs. Nichols, our faithful librarian.

The families of Edward Ellsworth, J. Dassel, and Roy Morgan will unite in a family gathering at the Ellsworth home on Christmas day.

Mrs. E. B. Tyson and family will join the circle at the B. L. Tyson home on the Christmas holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jacobus will entertain a large house party over Christmas as usual. About thirty people will be seated at the table for Christmas dinner, including the Oakland relatives.

Mrs. E. L. Dickenson of Santa Clara, is spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. C. H. Glover.

Miss Helen Sharpe and her brother Jerome Sharpe are up from Oakland for over the Christmas season.

Mrs. L. Baldwin will have a family dinner on Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Dillard and daughter of Elmhurst, and Mr. and Mrs. E. Kientz and little son to join them.

The Misses Alice and Hannah Stewart of Oakland, are guests at the Belvoir for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray of Centerville, who make their home on the Chadbourn place, with a party of seven friends will take Christmas dinner at the Belvoir.

Cyril Williams, head engineer of the water district work, with his assistants Stoner, Jameson, and Nunes, have been very busy of late on maps and water measurements.

Earl Black of Dos Palos, spent Friday of this week at the Belvoir.

## Centerville

The beautiful hand embroidery pillows that were raffled Sunday for the benefit of the Centerville Catholic Church were won by Father Souza. The lucky number being 97.

Mrs. Plummer has gone to Yosemite to spend Christmas with her daughter.

The Presbyterian Sunday School children were entertained at the parsonage Tuesday night by Mrs. Rogers. A Christmas tree had been provided and the little ones were made happy by receiving many little gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall motored to Oakland Monday.

Wm. P. Bell is spending the holidays in Centerville with his parents.

The Eastern Star established offices at their meeting Wednesday night and a very enjoyable time was spent by those who were present. Refreshments were served after the beautiful ceremonies.

Mr. and Mrs. Hansen of Oakland are guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Randall.

Mrs. M. L. Mowry was hostess Wednesday afternoon when the children of the Episcopal Sunday School were guests at a Christmas party. A big gaily decorated tree was on hand and from its branches were taken many little presents for those present.

## Mission San Jose

FOR SALE:—One fine family Jersey cow, one orchard truck, almost new. McLIMONT RANCH, Mission San Jose.

Mr. Pierce made a business trip to the city Tuesday.

Wm. Rose is confined to his bed with a severe attack of La Grippe. Late reports would indicate that he is improving now.

The big steam shovel that has been at work between Mission San Jose and Warm Springs has been taken away and it is believed that the road will be passable in about three weeks although it will be six weeks or two months before the road is entirely complete.

Mrs. Rose, Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Boulette and Mr. Boggini motored to Santa Cruz Wednesday.

An unusually large number of auto parties have visited the old mission in the past two weeks.

Mission San Jose is now enjoying better transportation facilities than usual; a San Jose-Oakland jitney line now makes trips through the town.

Beginning with tomorrow night, Mission San Jose will have a motion picture show every Saturday night under the management of J. B. Bernard of Niles.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

Every person interested in the progress of Mission San Jose is urged to attend a special meeting of the Mission San Jose Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday evening, Dec. 29th. A matter of great importance is to be considered.

## Newark

A pleasant Christmas entertainment was held Wednesday night at the Presbyterian Church, with a Christmas tree as the main attraction. Gifts were placed on the tree to be given to the little ones at the Presbyterian Orphans Home. The offering Sunday will be sent to the suffering people in Serbia.

Mr. George Stonerod has been confined to his bed with pneumonia but is reported to be much improved.

Mrs. C. Cokefair was given a surprise party Tuesday night. The occasion being her Tin wedding anniversary.

Miss Emma Wales of San Francisco is at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Craig of San Jose, and Mr. and Mrs. John Sattler and daughter of San Francisco are holiday visitors of Mrs. M. E. Boles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Yeaman and family will spend Christmas at Santa Cruz with Mr. Yeaman's parents.

## Irvington

Holy Mass will be celebrated at Irvington Hall, Irvington, on Christmas morning at 9:30. All are invited to attend.

Franklin Scroggins has promised to come down from Berkeley to attend the big New Year ball here.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Robinson motored to Mt. View Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Saxe spent Saturday in San Francisco.

Mr. K. F. Reynolds and a party of friends motored to Pleasanton Sunday.

Mrs. Morris of Oakland visited with Mrs. Al Hirsch a few days last week.

Miss Nellie Beardsley is back from a visit to San Francisco.

Mrs. Robert Irvine has been quite seriously ill but is now much improved.

Mrs. Willie Babb of Oakland spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Al Hirsch.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Brewer spent the week end in San Francisco.

Miss Rose Hinckley visited a few days last week with the Curtens at Warm Springs.

Mrs. Lalindo and daughter Minnie are spending the Xmas vacation in Palo Alto.

Mrs. Julia Stravin of Hayward is visiting at the Griffin home.

Mrs. Lutz spent the week end in the city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Davies and family left Saturday in their auto for Sonoma to spend the Xmas holidays.

Mrs. L. Roderick and Mrs. L. Nelson of Niles spent Saturday in San Jose.

Mrs. Julia Straven visited at the Griffin's Sunday.

Mrs. Martha Mack has been appointed librarian at the Irvington Branch.

Miss Anna Weston has been appointed deputy postmistress at Irvington.

Miss Viola Mullard has been on the sick list for the past week but is much improved.

Mrs. H. Knudsen and Mrs. C. Brewer spent Friday shopping in San Jose.

The many friends of George Morgan are glad to hear that he has returned from the hospital greatly improved. He is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Dave Lowrie.

Miss Mavis Scribner has been visiting Katherine Christensen.

Don't forget the big serpentinite and confetti ball that is to be given by the Irvington Social Club on New Year's Eve. The club has engaged the best music that it is possible to obtain and a big time is assured.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

A special meeting of the Irvington Chamber of Commerce will be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 28th, and every one interested in the development of the community is urged to attend as a matter of special importance is to come up.

## ENTERTAINMENT AND DANCE

At their last meeting, Dec. 17th, 1915 "The Young Ladies Sodality" of Holy Ghost Catholic Church, made final arrangements for their initial entertainment and dance to be held New Year's Eve, Dec. 31st, 1915, at Holy Ghost Hall, Centerville. Miss Anna Vargu was appointed secretary, to succeed Miss Mary Cobell. After the meeting Father S. P. BARRON gave an illustrated lecture on "Our Lady of Lourdes".

A pleasant evening is assured all who attend the entertainment and dance. Admission will be 50c for gentlemen, 25c for ladies. Tickets may be secured at the door. The entertainment is worth the price of admission. First class talent has been secured, among the numbers will be "Specialties" by Miss Mary Windsor of San Francisco. Miss Windsor is an elocutionist of no mean ability and is well known in San Francisco where on several occasions she has appeared before large audiences.

Miss Anna May of Oakland will entertain with recitations and solos. Mr. May is district deputy of the Y. L. I. and is very popular in Alameda County. A piano solo will be given by Miss Inez Silva of Centerville and a vocal solo by Miss Andreole of Alvarado. These numbers together with other will take place between the dance, so that there will be enjoyment for all.

The following committees are in charge:

Door: Mr. J. Francis, Anthony Alameda.  
Floor: Mr. Solto, Alfred Gomez, G. Bettencourt, Manuel Bernardo.  
Refreshments: Miss Clara-Rose, Mariana Mattos, M. Valencia.

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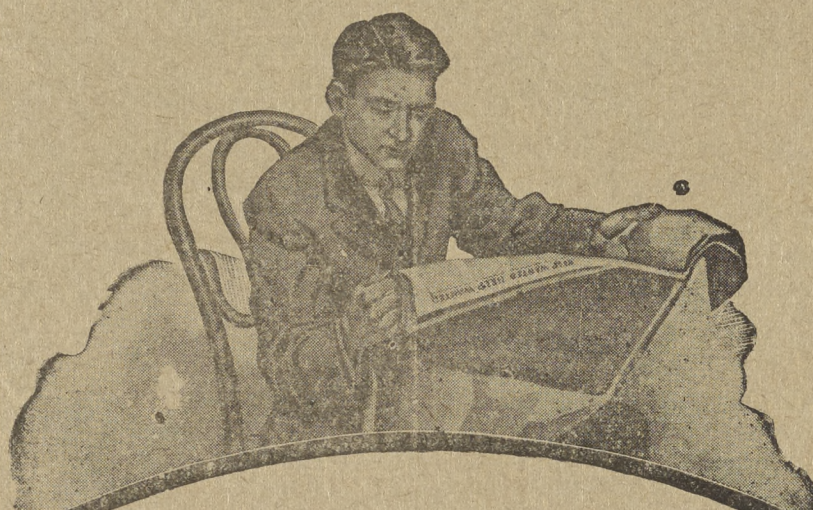
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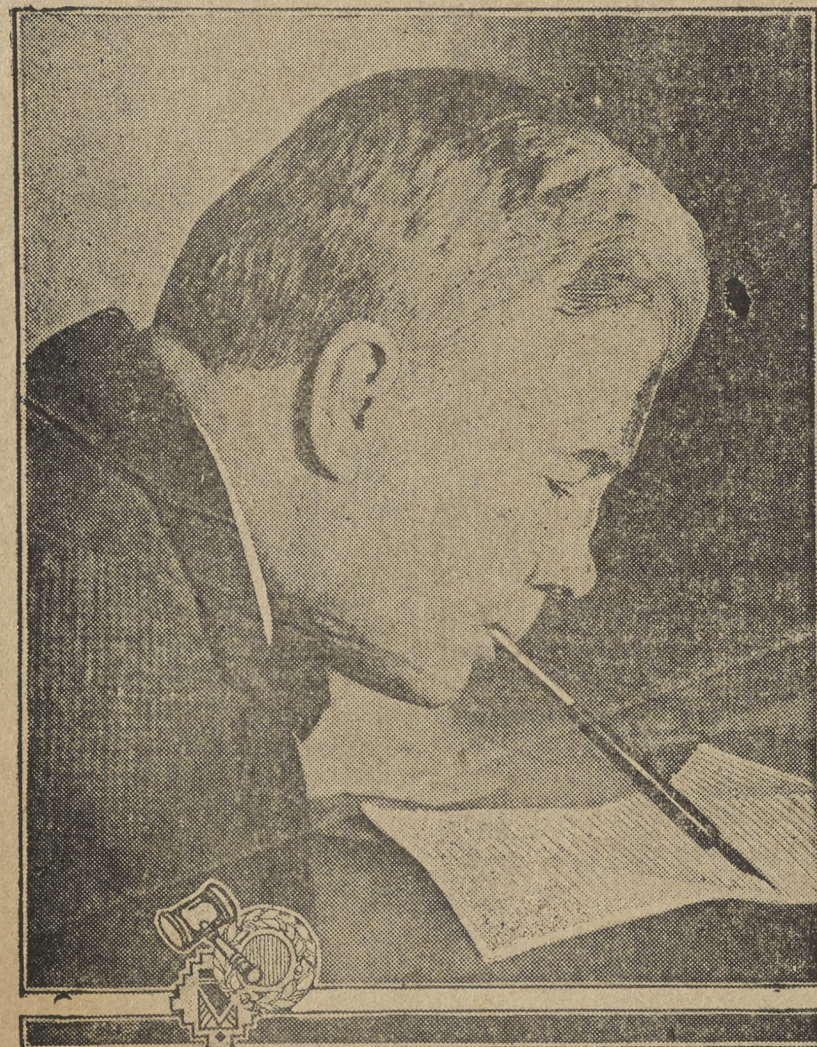
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